THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) (a) The Indian Dairy Corporation (IDC) allotted about 2051 metric tonnes (MT) of skimmed milk powder to Madhya Pradesh during 1982-83, 1983-84 and 1984-85.

(b) The skim milk powder was supplied by the I.D.C. at the following rates :

(Rs. per M.T.)

1982-83

1-4-82 to 31-12-82	12,000
1-1-83 to 31-03-83	14,000

1983-84

1-4-83 to 31-1-84	14,000
1-2-84 to 31-3-84	16,000

1984-85

1-4-84 to 28-2-85	16,000
1-3-85 to 31-3-85	20,000

(c) The I.D.C. keeps necessary check for ensuring proper utilisation of skim milk powder issued by the I.D.C. to the various dairies.

Milk Supply Schemes in Tribal Areas of Madhya Pradesh

2041. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Indian Dairy Corporation to supply skimmed milk powder to the milk supply schemes functioning in the tribal areas of Madhya Pradesh;

(b) whether Government are aware that the Government of Madhya Pradesh has been forced to purchased such powder from the open market at very high prices for onward supply to the milk supply schemes established in tribal areas; and

(c) whether Government propose to supply more SMP tor milk supply schemes in tribal areas ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) There is no such specific proposal under consideration of Indian Dairy Corporation (IDC). The IDC allocates skimmed milk powder and butter oil/butter to the various user dairies. The manner of allotment is decided every year by the IDC on the basis of the quantity of commodity available, the demand made by the various user dairies in the public and co-operative sectors existing in the various States including Madhya Pradesh the procurement of milk by these dairies etc.

(b) and (c) No report to this effect has been received from the State Government, However, the IDC has already allotted about 180 MT of skimmed milk powder to the dairy plants in the State of Madhya Pradesh.

Burning of Paddy by farmers in States

2042. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it has come to the notice of Government that farmers of various States in the country have been forced to burn their paddy crop due to the callous attitude of Government as the purchasing agencies refused to purchase paddy;

(b) whether Government propose to grant any paddy bonus scheme